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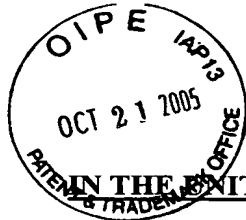
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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Sir:

This is in response to the office action dated August 16, 2005, in the above identified application, the period for response is set to expire on November 16, 2005. Please amend the above identified application as follows: